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1. SAO PAULO MEDIA GIVES PROMINENT TREATMENT TODAY TO VANCE VISIT. INSIDE PAGES IN MAJOR DAILIES FOCUS MOSTLY ON GOB POSITION ON THE NUCLEAR ISSUE: TO HEAR ANY NEW PROPOSAL, BUT NOT TO CHANGE THE ACCORD. RE HUMAN RIGHTS, PAPERS REFLECT OFFICIAL LINE: BRAZIL POSITION, SET BY FORMIN SILVEIRA AT UNGA, IS THE SAME AS THAT OF U.S. VANCE ACTIVITIES IN ARGENTINA ALSO GIVEN GOOD COVERAGE. MAJOR POINTS ARE ARGENTINE WILLINGNESS TO RATIFY THE TLATELOLCO ACCORD AND DEMONSTRATION BY MOTHERS OF POLITICAL PRISONERS.

2. SAMPLE HEADLINES: "UPON ARRIVAL (IN BRASILIA), A WARNING TO VANCE" (O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO); "WHAT VANCE WILL DO IN BRASILIA" (FOLHA DE SAO PAULO); "VANCE IN BRASILIA TODAY; WILL BE RECEIVED BY
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GEISEL" (DIARIO DE SAO PAULO); "HUMAN RIGHTS - 'HELP US, CYRUS VANCE'" (ULTIMA HORA, HEADING STORY ON B.A. WOMEN DEMONSTRATION).

3. PRESTIGIOUS CONSERVATIVE O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO (CIRC. 220,000) HAS FULL PAGE BANNERED "A WARNING TO VANCE: BRAZIL WON'T CHANGE (NUCLEAR ACCORD)", EMPHASIZING GOB POLICY STATEMENT MADE BY ITAMARATY SPOKESMAN LAMPREIA YESTERDAY. "IF TO NEGOTIATE MEANS

A GOB RETREAT WITH REGARD TO THE ACCORD WITH GERMANY, THEN THERE IS NOTHING TO NEGOTIATE". ANY SUBJECT, INCLUDING HUMAN RIGHTS, CAN BE DEALT WITH BUT GOB POSITION PRESENTED BY FORMIN AT UNGA, IS NOT IN CONFLICT WITH USG; VANCE VISIT IS NOT SEEN AS "PRESSURE"; BRAZIL-U.S. RELATIONS ARE FRIENDLY, CORRECT, NOW THAT EMOTIONAL FACTORS WHICH AFFECTED THEM HAVE BEEN SET ASIDE.

4. MDB (OPPOSITION PARTY) WON'T TAKE INITIATIVE TO DIALOGUE WITH VANCE (ON INTERNAL POLITICAL MATTERS) UNLESS INVITED TO DO SO.

5. COMMENTARY "NEW U.S. STRATEGY MAY INCLUDE CONCESSIONS", BY O ESTADO'S BRASILIA BUREAU WRITER LAURA FONSECA. VANCE VISIT SAYS FONSECA "SHOULD CONFIRM THAT THE CARTER ADMINISTRATION CHANGED ITS TACTICS TOWARDS BRAZIL. THE TOUGH TREATMENT OF DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES SHOULD BE REPLACED BY A MORE FLEXIBLE STRATEGY THAT DOES NOT MAKE PUBLIC ALL DIFFICULTIES... THIS MAY PREPARE THE PATH FOR A FRIENDLY AND TRIUMPHAL COMING OF PRESIDENT CARTER NEXT YEAR".

6. CARLOS CONDE, ALSO OF O ESTADO'S BRASILIA BUREAU, RECALLS AN EARLIER INTERVIEW HELD IN BRAZIL WITH THEN PROFESSOR BRZEZINSKI WHO VIEWED BRAZIL AS "EMERGING, HEGEMONIC POWER". "THE DIPLOMATIC PROPHECY OF THE PRESENT NSC CHIEF BECOMES CONCRETE...BRAZIL'S ESTABLISHING ITSELF AS A REGIONAL POWER, BUT WITHOUT THE HEGEMONIC CHARACTERISTIC...BRAZIL IS SATISFIED WITH PLAYING A NEW ROLE IN UNCLASSIFIED

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THE WORLD BY FORCE OF ITS ECONOMIC GROWTH AND ITS INTERNATIONAL POSTURE, LESS DEPENDENT ON THE SO-CALLED 'METROPOLIS'".

7. O ESTADO CORRESPONDENT GERALD SEABRA FILHO, REPORTING FROM B.A., SAYS ARGENTINA MAY RATIFY THE TLATELOLCO TREATY, WHILE THE U.S. WOULD RATIFY THE ADDITIONAL PROTOCOL NUMBER ONE OF THE SAME TREATY. STORY ADDS BOTH GOVERNMENTS AGREED THAT PROTECTION AND STRENGTHENING OF HUMAN RIGHTS IS A "MAJOR RESPONSIBILITY" AND GIVES DETAILED ACCOUNT OF DEMONSTRATION OF MOTHERS OF POLITICAL PRISONERS AT THE SAN MARTIN MONUMENT.

8. FOLHA DE SAO PAULO (LARGEST CIRCULATION DAILY) FRONT PAGE BY PAULO FRANCIS OPENS "NON-PROLIFERATION, HUMAN RIGHTS ARE TWO PRINCIPAL THEMES "" IDENTICAL TO THOSE DISCUSSED YESTERDAY IN BA ... EMPHASIS WILL BE ON NUCLEAR ISSUE SINCE BRAZIL IS NOT A 'PATIENT IN CRITICAL CONDITION. RE HUMAN RIGHTS ... AND NOT SUBJECT TO SAME U.S. ECONOMIC PRESSURES AS ARGENTINA..." TALK ABOUT FULFILLIN G MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IS NICE BUT FALSE; THIS BECAME A "DEAD LETTER" WHEN VP MONDALE WENT TO GERMANY WITHOUT CONSULTING GOB.

9. FOLHA'S LEAD EDITORIAL EXPECTS OTHER "POTENTIALLY EXPLOSIVE" SUBJECT TO BE RAISED, INCLUDING CANCELLATION OF MILITARY AGREEMENTS ADN "PROTECTION" GIVEN LEONEL BRIZOLA. "LOGICALLY," SECRETARY COULD ALSO INQUIRE ON "EXTENT OF INTERNAL REFORMS PLANNED BY GOB ... CLEARLY INTERNAL MATTERS" BUT OF INTEREST TO U.S. UNDER BRZEZINSKI DOCTRINE. "THIS TYPE DISCREET BUT EFFICIENT PRESSURE EXPLAINS RECENT LIBERAL-DEMOCRAT OCCURENCES" IN PERU, CHILE AND BOLIVIA.

10. COLUMNIST LUIZ ALBERTO BAHIA FINDS VENEZUELAN AND USG "MULTINATIONAL" NUCLEAR PLAN IN DIRECT CONFRONTATION WITH GOB VIEW, WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH POLICY OF "GRANDEZA". THIS DIVIDING QUESTION IS TOO GREAT TO RESOLVE DURING VISIT. "UNFORTUNATELY BRAZILIAN PUBLIC OPINION /.. IS NOT CONSULTED ON POTENTIAL DANGER UNCLASSIFIED

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OF ... THIS NUCLEAR STANCE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS."

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11. INSIDE STORIES COVER NOVEMBER 21 ITAMARTY BRIEFING IN DETAIL, FEATURING LIMITS ON DISCUSSION OF GOB-FRG CONTRACT. REVIEWS VANCE SCHEDULE NOTING NO PRESS CONFERENCE PLANNED AND THAT TWO HOUR PERIOD AFTER MEETING WITH PRES. GEISEL APPEARS "FREE", BUT UNACCOUNTED FOR. STORY THAT APPEARS TO HAVE ITAMARTY SOURCE CLAIMS TALKS WILL BE TOUGH, BUT OUTCOME STEP FORWARD TOWARD NORMALIZATION AND HEALING OF EARLIER WOUNDS. HUMAN RIGHTS EXPECTED TO BE DOWNPLAYED

12. TV COVERAGE: TUPI NETWORK AND LOCAL ETV CULTURA NOV 21 PRIME TIME NEWSCASTS RAN AVERAGE 1-MINUTE COVERAGE EAH, FOCUSING ON BRASILIA SCHEDULE AND VANCE TALKS WITH ARGENTINE LEADERS ON NPT AND HUMAN RIGHTS. BOTH COVER VANCE ARRIVAL IN B.A. SUNDAY NIGHT. MORNING TV GLOBO LOCAL SHOW CARRIED COMMENTARY BY BRASILIA CORESPONDENT THAT VANCE TRIP MARKS "A NEW ERA IN THE UNCLASSIFIED

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BRAZIL-U.S. RELATIONS... RECENT USG DECISION TO PROVIDE NUCLEAR FUEL AND FACT THAT VANCE COMES AS FORERUNNER OF PRESIDENT CARTER, TIED WITH OTHER FACTORS OF INTERNAL POLITICS, CONTRIBUTE TO OPTIMISTIC TONE OF VISIT".

13. RADIO COVERAGE BASICALLY ON SAME SUBJECT AS PAPERS AND TV. RADIO BANDEIRANTES MORNING SHOW QUOTED EMBASSY SPOKESMAN THAT VISIT "IS NOT TO DISCUSS BRAZIL-GERMANY NUCLEAR ACCORD, BUT WAYS TO RESTRICT PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS". COMMENTATOR NEWTON CARLOS SAID "THE VIOLENT PRESSURE EXERTED BY CARTER ADMINISTRATION ON ARGENTINA IS AIMED AT FORCING PRESIDENT VIDELA TO COMPLY WITH HIS PROMISES OF MODERATION, CONTROL OF REPRESSION AND RETURN TO DEMOCRACY". COPMAN

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